



Community Development Block Grant

Local Government Division

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Introduction

The Washington State Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program provides funds on a competitive basis for local housing, public and community facilities, economic development, and planning projects that principally benefit low- and moderate-income households.

Eligible applicants are incorporated communities with populations less than 50,000 and counties with populations less than 200,000 that do not participate as members of the U.S. Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Urban County Entitlement Consortia.

Approximately \$16 million in federal funding has been historically distributed on an annual basis through the following grant funds:

Funds Available

- **General Purpose Grant** **\$7,000,000**
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Annual grant cycle during which eligible applicants may request up to \$750,000 per application for local housing, public facilities, community facilities, or economic development/microenterprise projects principally benefiting low- and moderate-income persons. The due date for the 2004 grant cycle is November 20, 2003.
- **Planning-Only Grant** **\$ 400,000**
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Planning-Only Grants are provided to eligible communities on a funds available basis for a wide range of planning activities that address public health and safety issues; respond to state and federal mandates; improve essential services to low- and moderate-income individuals; or, complete a necessary step within a broader community development strategy. Grants of up to \$24,000 are available. Consortium of eligible applicants may request up to \$40,000.
- **Imminent Threat Grant** **\$ 400,000**
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Funds to address unique emergencies posing a serious and immediate threat to public health and safety on a fund availability basis. Funds are also available for supplemental grants to existing contracts.

- **Community Investment Fund Grant** **\$4,845,000**
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 CDBG Community Investment Fund Program provides eligible communities the opportunity to access technical and financial assistance throughout the year for priority community and economic development projects. Technical assistance is provided through the Washington Community Economic Revitalization Team (WA-CERT) scoping process and on-site visits to the community. Potential awards are coordinated with the Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development's Resource Team to address priority projects identified through the WA-CERT or Rural Enterprise Community Initiatives.
- **Housing Enhancement Grant** **\$1,000,000**
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 Companion funds to support priority applications submitted to the Washington State Housing Trust Fund.
- **Public Services Grant** **\$1,775,000**
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 Grants made available through counties to 15 community action agencies serving non-entitlement areas for activities serving low- and moderate-income people. Funding provided by formula and administration coordinated with the state Community Services Block Grant Program.
- **Administrative One Percent Set-aside for Technical Assistance**
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 One percent of the state's annual allocation of CDBG funding is used to provide technical assistance to CDBG eligible jurisdictions.
- **Business Loan Portfolio**
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 Three types of block grant lending instruments are currently used in Washington to assist business: float Loans, loans from the Rural Washington Loan Fund, and HUD Section 108 Guarantee Loans.

Eligibility Guidelines

- Eligible applicants are cities and towns with less than 50,000 in population or counties with less than 200,000 in population that are non-entitlement jurisdictions or are not participants in a HUD Urban County Entitlement Consortium.
- Projects must principally benefit low- and moderate-income persons. Low- and moderate-income is defined as 80 percent of county median income.
- Applicants may submit one request per fund each program year.